



Message to New Hampshire Solid Waste Facility Owners and Operators – March 20, 2020

NHDES has compiled the below list of resources that discuss handling of solid waste with potential or known COVID-19 contamination. We intend to post additional resources on the NHDES website next week. We will endeavor to notify you when postings occur.

If you have questions about the information provided below, please contact OSHA or NWRA directly, as appropriate. Also, please check these websites frequently as knowledge and best management practices are rapidly evolving.

- COVID-19 [Control and Prevention](#) Fact Sheet provided by OSHA. ***Included in this fact sheet at the end is a section specific to solid waste and wastewater workers.***
- [Guidance](#) on Preparing Workplaces for COVID-19 provided by OSHA.
- Webinar presented by the National Waste & Recycling Association (NWRA) "[Managing COVID-19 Waste](#)"
- [FAQs](#) from the NWRA's Healthcare Waste Institute

If you need to make changes to your facility operations to meet the recommended guidance, including changes:

- to minimize contact with solid waste that has potential or known COVID-19 contamination;
- operating hours; or
- other facility services,

please notify NHDES of the needed changes via email sent to solidwasteinfo@des.nh.gov. We will place the notice in the facility record. No additional action is required on your part to update the department.

If you have questions regarding other waste streams, such as household hazardous waste, hazardous waste, wastewater, or septic systems (subsurface systems), please see NHDES' Contact Us webpage here <https://www.des.nh.gov/contactus/index.htm> or call NHDES main line at (603) 271-3503 to be directed to the program that has the information you seek.

If you have additional questions regarding solid waste, you may contact NHDES' Solid Waste Management Bureau at (603) 271-2925.